Bella Vista POA Lakes JAC
May 8, 2024
2:00 pm-Country Club Board Room

Chairman: Matt Champagne
Vice-Chairman: Michael Coughlin
Secretary: Carol Phillips

Committee Members: Michael Coughlin, Scott Sborov, Carol Phillips, Ross Gerner, Kelly Austin, Rob Montgomery, Kevin Attleson and Matt Champagne.

POA Board Liaisons: Jerre Barron, Jr., Sandy Fosdick, Jeff Hendren.

Chairman Champagne called the meeting to order at 2:00 pm.

Previous meeting minutes were approved.

POA COO Tom Judson reminded POA members to select and vote for candidates for the POA Board of Directors. Less than two weeks remain for voting.

POA Lakes and Fisheries Superintendent Rick Echols reported that Lake Windsor is at full pool as of April 29, 2024. Lake Norwood is under consideration for drawdown in the fall. Lake Patrol reported an increase in contacts for April.
Grounds Maintenance replaced three pavilion roofs. Avalon heated dock is complete except for sealing of deck boards and painting inside. An additional kayak rack at London Landing is being considered.
POA Lakes Ecology and Fisheries Department will hold an aquaculture open house from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm on Saturday May 11, 2024 at the aquaculture ponds at Loch Lomond park. The event will feature demonstrations by fisheries management including the techniques used to catch fish and assess fish population. The Water Quality Lab will demonstrate how to measure water fertility in our lakes. Lake Patrol will also be on site to answer questions about POA lake policies. The Bella Vista Fire Department will be available to talk about the prescribed burn which recently took place on Loch Lomond dam. A food truck and iced cream vendor will be present as well. Music will be available at the nearby pavilion.
On Saturday May 18th, the Kids Fishing Derby will be held at the Metfield Clubhouse pond from 8:00am to 12 noon.
Fisheries and Lakes Water Quality weekly secchi disk readings have begun for the season. Water quality analysis for POA Lakes is available on the POA website.

Meeting adjourned at 2:25 pm.

Next meeting is April 12, 2024.